TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF CT GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Dear members of the Connecticut Human Services Committee:

Good afternoon, my name is Martha Flores. I am a member of the group Manos Unidas and I am I'm in favor of S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

Health insurance is very important to me because I have thyroid issues and 3 years ago I was told I needed an ultrasound because I have cysts in my thyroid. I am very worried about that. I also go to the community center clinic. I wanted to make an appointment with the dentist and they told me that undocumented people were not being accepted for dental appointments. Sometimes we have to put up with a toothache because we can't afford the dentist. Our situation is very sad.

Please help us and support the bill S.B. 284: AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FROM EIGHT TO EIGHTEEN YEARS FOR AN INCOME-ELIGIBLE PERSON TO OBTAIN MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS. We need our health to take care of our children.

Thank you, Martha Flores